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Come To The Cabaret!

Alumni Association's Annual Meeting is Scheduled for May

The Annual meeting of the Shelton State Alumni Association will be held on Thursday, May 7, in the lobby of the new Theatre Tuscaloosa complex located on Shelton's Martin Campus. Guest speaker for the evening is Paul Looney, artistic director of Theatre Tuscaloosa. This year's meeting theme is "Come to the Cabaret," and Looney-will bring several members of the cast from CABARET to the dinner meeting to provide entertainment for the evening. The new theatre is located in the eastern section of the new building. Guests may enter through the Atrium and will be guided to the dinner location.

"The Annual Meeting is a great time for alumni to mix and mingle with each

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other and with the faculty and staff of the college. It is also a special time we set aside to recognize our accomplishments for the year," said Lucy Kubiszyn, director of the Alumni Association. "Our alumni have put in a lot of hard work this past year and we are really appreciative of all their efforts."

The dinner will begin at 6 p.m., and the cost of the tickets is \$11 per person. Reservations and money must be paid by Monday, May 4. For tickets or for more information, contact the Shelton Alumni Office, (205) 391-2252 or (205) 391-2221.



Alumni Association Ends Year On High Note

Association ends its second year of full operations on a high note with a number of activities to its credit. An installation service and reception was held in the Belk Activity Center in Tuscaloosa in September honoring the new officers of the Association. Officers for the Alumni Council which serves as the executive committee for the organization serve two year terms.

In October, the Alumni Association built the college's first bonfire as part of Shelton's grand opening activities for the new campus. Performing for the event was the band, Fuzzy Navel. College athletes were introduced for the year, and the Shelton cheerleaders. added excitement to the evening. Alumni members cooked and served hot dogs, soft drinks, and chips for the large crowd attending the pep rally. The pep rally and bonfire were so successful that Shelton President Dr. Tom Umphrey asked that it be made an annual event. The Alumni Association also set up a booth at the West Alabama Fair in October as part of its community service efforts.

In November, members of the Alumni Council contacted Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus at the North Pole and asked for their help in sending letters to the good little boys and girls in West

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Alabama. As part of the project, the Alumni Association forwarded personal letters from Santa at the North Pole to children in this area. The cost was \$3 per letter and over 100 letters were mailed before Christmas. Profits from the Santa project helps fund a scholarship for a deserving student at Shelton State.

The Alumni Association adopted a needy family for Christmas holidays in December. Through the efforts of former students at the college, Christmas was a little brighter this year for a special family. Shelton alumni also enjoyed their annual Christmas party which was held this year at the Red Lobster restaurant.

In February, the Alumni Association met at the Martin Campus for a general meeting of the membership. Alumni President Jackie Fazeli talked to the group about illegal drugs that are currently being sold in West Alabama. Fazeli is employed by Bradford Health Services, and a great deal of her time is spent talking to community groups on the dangers of drugs and alcohol.

Association out again in force for Alumni Night at Buccaneer basketball. Free throw contests were held between the games of the Lady Bucs and the men's basketball team. The Alumni Association also sold refreshments for the night. All profits from Alumni Night went back to the association to fund activities.

The Alumni Council met again in April to plan the rest of the activities for the year including the Annual Meeting. A summer retreat will be held in July for the Alumni Council to plan activities for the next year. A party for all active alumni will also be held this summer.

The date and location have not yet been finalized.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SERVING AS AN OFFICER IN THE SHELTON STATE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION? THE ASSOCIATION IS ALWAYS INTERESTED IN INVOLVING FORMER STUDENTS IN THE COUNCIL WHICH ALUMNI SERVES AS THE EXECUTIVE THE COMMITTEE FOR ASSOCIATION. IF YOU WOULD MORE BECOME INVOLVED IN THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, CONTACT THE ALUMNI OFFICE, 391-2252 OR 391-2221



Fazeli Leads SSAA

Jackie Fazeli currently serves as president of the Shelton State Alumni Association and will continue in this position until September 1999. Fazeli is a former student at SHELTON who graduated from the college in 1995. While at SHELTON she was named to the USA TODAY All-Academic Team.

Transferring to the University of Alabama, she went on to complete her B.S. degree. Employed now by Bradford Health Services, a great deal of Jackie's time is spent working with the Crisis Response Center. Jackie also has three children who also require a great deal of her time.

Brown Named Alumnus of Year By College Faculty And Staff

Last November, Betty Grace Brown, who was elected Alumnus of the Year by her co-workers at Shelton State Community College, was recognized during the annual Chancellor's Award ceremony held during the Alabama College System conference in Birmingham. Betty, who is currently employed as a counselor in the Educational Talent search program, has been with the college since she graduated from the institution in 1979. Betty worked in Shelton's financial aid office for a number of years until she decided to enter the University of Alabama . It was from the University that she received her B.S. Degree in counseling.

Betty says her goal now is to help high school students make the transition from high school to college. "Shelton has been the door to a brighter future for me, and I am sure that door is still open for others with similar needs," Brown said.

